

MINUTES  
**HOUSE AGRICULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

**DATE:** Wednesday, March 23, 2022

**TIME:** 8:30 A.M.

**PLACE:** Room EW42

**MEMBERS:** Chairman Kauffman, Vice Chairman Andrus, Representatives Boyle, Kerby, Giddings, Marshall, Nichols, Hanks, Cannon, Moon, McCann, Toone, Ruchti, Mathias

**ABSENT/  
EXCUSED:** None

**GUESTS:** The sign-in sheet will be retained in the committee secretary's office; following the end of session the sign-in sheet will be filed with the minutes in the Legislative Library.

**Chairman Kauffman** called the meeting to order at 10:19 a.m.

**S 1380:** **Chairman Kauffman** returned **S 1380** to the committee for consideration, a continuation of the meeting of March 22, 2022.

**Braden Jensen**, Idaho Farm Bureau Federation; **Jennifer Glass**, veterinarian, West End Vet Clinic; **Patxi Larrocea-Phillips**, Idaho Wool Growers Association; and **Dr. Wayne Cutler** spoke in support of **S 1380** and efforts to support students to practice in the state of Idaho. They remarked how vital this bill is to get and keep veterinarians. The loan debt is large and challenging to pay off, and large animal medicine doesn't have the same payoff as small animal medicine.

**Sen. Stennett** spoke in response to committee questions saying veterinarian graduates receive an average of eighteen offers for employment. She clarified the definition of rural as any county that contains less than 25,000 residences; less than 20 persons per square mile, and typically under 10,000 residents.

**MOTION:** **Rep. McCann** made a motion to send **S 1380** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation.

**ROLL CALL  
VOTE:** **Rep. Ruchti** requested a roll call vote on **S1380**. **Motion failed by a vote of 6 AYE and 8 NAY. Voting in favor** of the motion: **Reps. Kauffman, Kerby, McCann, Toone, Ruchti, and Mathias. Voting in opposition** to the motion: **Reps. Andrus, Boyle, Giddings, Marshall, Nichols, Hanks, Cannon, and Moon.**

**ADJOURN:** There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 11:38 a.m.

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Representative Kauffman  
Chair

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Jayne Feik  
Secretary